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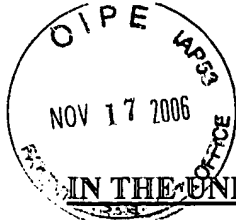
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INVENTOR(S) Luc VARIN, et al.		EXAMINER Stuart F. BAUM	GROUP ART UNIT 1638
TITLE OF APPLICATION METHODS, COMPOSITIONS AND GENETIC SEQUENCES FOR MODULATING FLOWERING IN PLANTS, AND PLANTS GENETICALLY MODIFIED TO FLOWER EARLY AND TARDILY			

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.